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Application No. 09/844,291

Network interface device having primary and backup interface for automatic dial backup upon loss of a primary connection and method of using same

Application No. 09/843,605

Method and apparatus for integrating tunneling protocols with standard routing protocols

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